

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process comprising: ~~the steps of~~ applying a first ink drop to a substrate; and

subsequently applying a second ink drop on to the first ink drop without intermediate solidification of the first ink drop,

wherein the first and second ink drops have a different viscosity, surface tension or curing speed.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1, wherein further ink drops are applied sequentially to the combined first and second ink drops without intermediate solidification of the first and subsequent ink drops.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein at least four ink drops are applied sequentially.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in any preceding claim~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the first and subsequent ink drops are different colours.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed~~ according to claim 4, wherein the ink drops are cyan, magenta, yellow and black.

Claim 6 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in any preceding claim~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the viscosity of the first and last ink drops applied varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 10 up to 30 mPas or 30 down to 10 mPas.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in any preceding claim~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the surface tension of the first and last ink drops applied varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 20 up to 40 dynes/cm or 40 down to 20 dynes/cm.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A progressive dot printing ink-jet process ~~as claimed in any preceding claim~~ according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the cure speed of the first and last ink

drops applied varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 20 up to 70 m/min or 70 down to 20 m/min.

Claim 9 (original): A set of inkjet inks suitable for use in a progressive dot printing ink-jet process comprising at least two inks having a different viscosity, surface tension or curing speed.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A set of ink-jet inks ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 9, wherein the ink-jet inks are cyan, magenta, yellow and black.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A set of ink-jet inks ~~as claimed in~~ according to claim 9 or 10, wherein the viscosity of the ink-jet inks varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 10 up to 30 mPas or 30 down to 10 mPas.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A set of ink-jet inks as claimed in ~~any of claims 9 to 11~~ according to claim 9 or 10, wherein the viscosity of the ink-jet inks varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 20 up to 40 dynes/cm or 40 down to 20 dynes/cm.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A set of ink-jet inks ~~as claimed in any of claims 9 to 12~~ according to claim 9 or 10, wherein the viscosity of the ink-jet inks varies in a graduated manner within a range of from 20 up to 70 m/min or 70 down to 20 m/min.

Claim 14 (currently amended): An ink dispenser holding a set of ink-jet inks ~~as claimed in any of claims 9 to 13~~ according to claim 9 or 10.